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FLOOD ASSISTANCE JOB TRAINING PARTNERSHIP ACT

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LA COOPERATIVA CAMPESENA DE CALIFORNIA
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SUBJECT: PROJECT FUNDING

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The purpose of this alert is to advise project operators that it is not expected that the Department of Labor (DOL) will make any decisions regarding funding beyond the current \$25 million authorized until June 30, 1997. There are several reasons for this delay in deciding upon additional funding.

As you are aware, extensive flooding has occurred in several other parts of the country. There are limited National Reserve Account resources available to meet all needs. Please be aware that as DOL evaluates California's additional need through June, reports should indicate efficient fund use. Therefore, it is imperative that all expenditures be reported on an accrual basis.

Additionally, the State will be asking the cooperation of all project operators as we re-distribute funds to meet immediate needs. Allocations of the currently authorized funds will not be decreased unless initiated by the project operator. However, the actual cash authority may be adjusted temporally to meet immediate needs of project operators in danger of exhausting funding and being forced to terminate participants prior to June 30, 1997. It is the State's intent to maintain the current operation level based on continued need through that date when additional funds are expected.

It is our expectation that some level of additional funding beyond the \$25 million will be made available. Only speculation is available as to what this amount will be at this time. The difficulties this creates in project operations and planning is realized.

Please refer any questions regarding this matter to Luis Hermosillo at (916) 654-5416 or Laine Hendra-Aldrich at (916) 654-5595.

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